

Nursery Peek at the Week

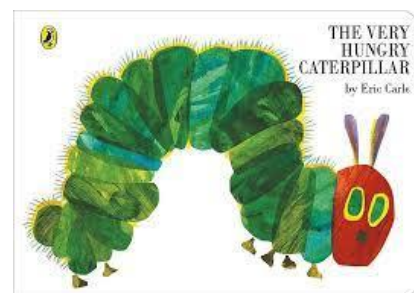
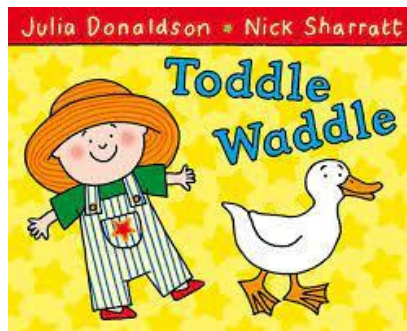
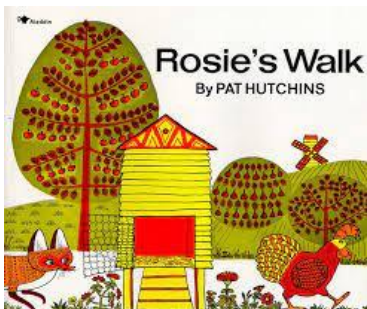
Weekly News

This week in Nursery we enjoyed our first Squiggle while you Wiggle session. The children enjoyed making large up and down movements with their flipper flappers before their pens were able to dance up and down on the paper. We have been practising doing up and down marks everywhere. Please continue to practise these at home. We also learnt our Phase One phonics voice sounds where the children look at pictures and respond with the corresponding sounds, e.g., "whee" when they see the slide.

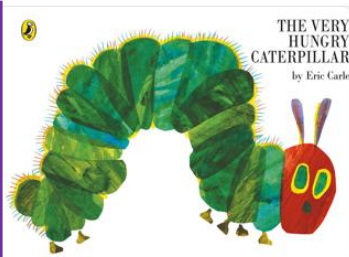
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REMEMBER No question or concern is too small, I would rather you email me than worry about something!

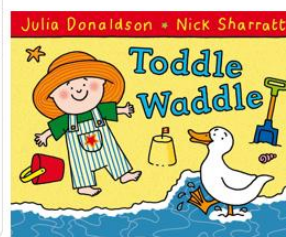
3-a-day Stories: These are stories that the children hear every day. These stories have been carefully chosen to help the children to develop a love of reading and to help them to develop early reading skills. These stories have key elements that support the children to retell them for example many of them use rhyme or repeated phrases. Please read these at home too, if you do not have them, you could borrow them from a library or watch them on YouTube.



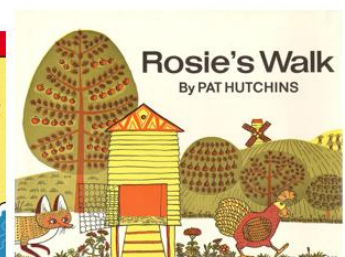
Please see the key vocabulary that we have learnt for these books. Can you try to use these words correctly at home?



Monday
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Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Hungry

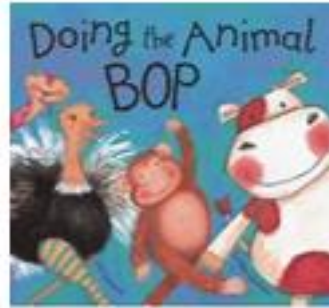
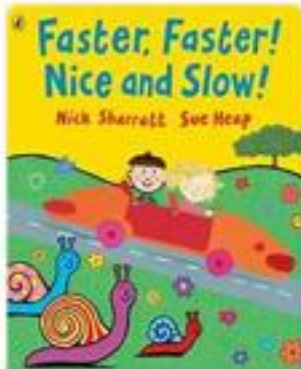


Toddle
Waddle
Hurry

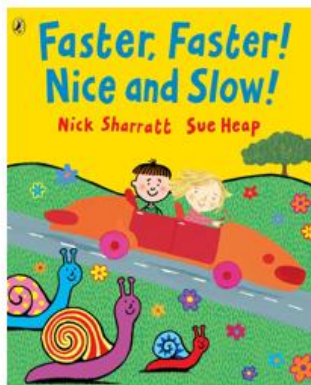


Across
Around
Through
Past
Over
Under

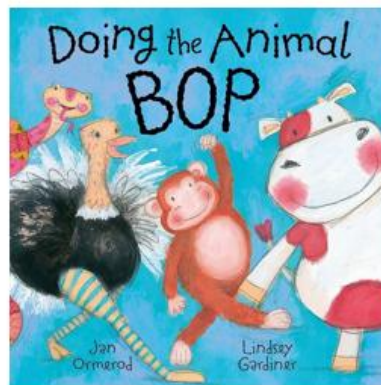
3-a-day Stories: The children have learnt our last 3 a day stories really well. These are our new 3 a day stories for after half term:



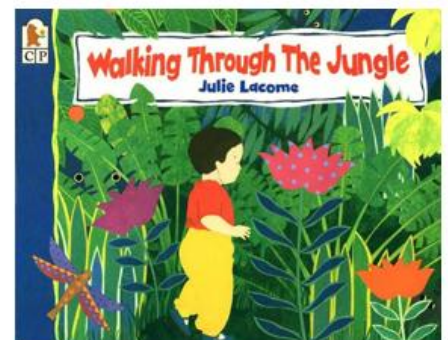
Please see the key vocabulary that we will be focusing on for these books. Can you try to use these words correctly at home?



Above
Below
Bumpy
Flat
Heavy
Light
Near
Far away



Heels
Bounce
Slither
Wiggle
Stomp
Groan
Chew



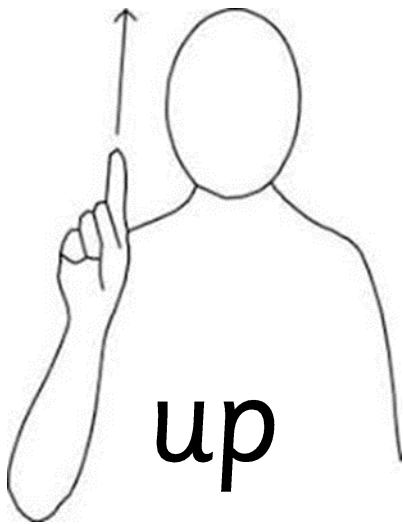
Creeping
Leaping
Swinging
Wading

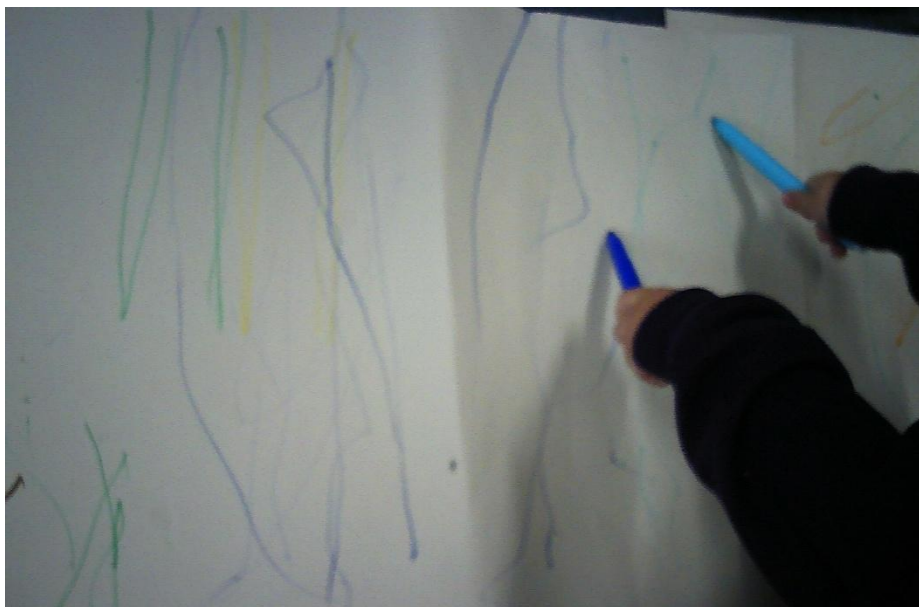
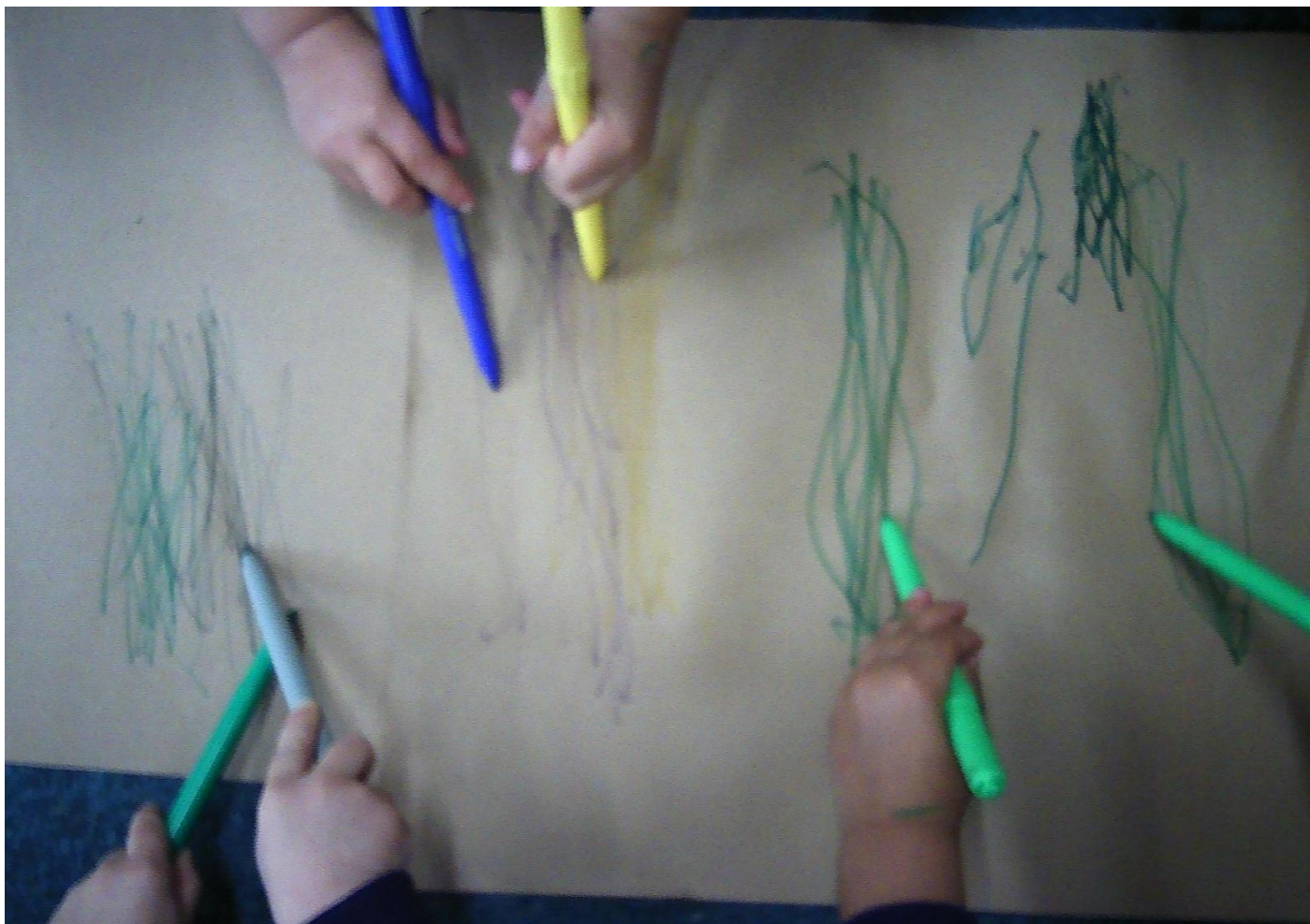
Squiggle while you Wiggle

Squiggle Whilst You Wiggle is an educational and early writing program that focuses on:

- **Gross Motor Movements First:** Children use their whole bodies to dance to music making large physical motions (such as sweeping up, going down, moving side-to-side, or crossing the body) while holding pieces of fabric called "flipper flappers".
- **Transition to Mark-Making:** Children move down to the floor, swap their fabric flappers for writing tools (like crayons, pens, or markers), and draw the same shapes in sand, foam, or on paper.
- **Connecting Motion to Letters:** The physical shapes mirror the fundamental strokes needed for handwriting.

This week we have learnt the up and down move.





Dip and Do

- Can you practise the Dough Disco moves that we have learnt, Squeeze, Ball it, Smack it and Single Fingers?
- Can you sing 'Round Wind the bobbin up?'
- Can you draw the squiggle up and down moves?
- Can you practise putting your coat and welly boots on?

Upcoming Dates

Monday 2nd November, Children return to Nursery

Thursday 12th November, Rhyme Early birds 8:30 am or 2:30pm

Parent/carers to join us and participate in some fun rhyming activities

Nursery Rhyme Dress up Day - Friday 13th November Children to come to school dressed as their favourite Nursery Rhyme character

Individual (and siblings within school) Photos - Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th November



Nursery Parent/Carer Events 2026-27

September

Settling Sessions

October

Welcome to Nursery
Coffee morning/afternoon
Thursday 8th
8:30-9:15am/
2:45-3:15pm
Copper Class (meet at
Nursery Gate)

November

Early Birds: Rhyming
Activities: World Nursery
Rhyme Week
Thursday 12th
8:30-9:15am/2:30-3:15pm
Nursery

December

EYFS Nativity
Wednesday 16th
9:30-10:30am
Thursday 17th
2:15-3:15 pm

January

Phonics Workshop
Thursday 14th
8:30-9:15am/
2:45-3:15pm
Copper Class (meet at
Nursery Gate)

February

Early Birds: Fine Motor
Activities
Friday 5th
8:30-9:15am/2:30-3:15pm
Nursery

March

Live 'Squiggle while you
Wiggle' (handwriting)
Tuesday 16th
11:10-11:30am/2:30-
3:15pm
Nursery

April

Maths Workshop
Thursday 22nd
8:30-9:15am/
2:45-3:15pm
Copper Class (meet at
Nursery Gate)

May

Live Phonics Session
Tuesday 25th
11:10-11:30am/2:30-
3:15pm
Nursery

June

Live Maths Meeting
Friday 25th
11:10-11:30am/2:30-
3:15pm
Nursery

July

Early Birds: Summer Holiday Activities
Wednesday 7th
8:30-9:15am/2:30-3:15pm
Nursery

Nursery End of Year Celebration
Tuesday 20th
10:00-11:00am in Hall
Nursery Family Picnic
11:00am-12:30pm

August

SUMMER
HOLIDAYS

Apply for your child's Primary School Space

Children born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023 are due to start primary school in September 2027.

Applications open on 1 September 2026 and close on 15 January 2027.

National offer day will be on 16 April 2027.

If you are Sutton resident, please use the website below:

<https://www.sutton.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions/apply-start-primary-school/primary-and-infant-schools-sutton>

Please remember that attending Dorchester Primary School Nursery does not automatically mean that your child will get a space in the school, you do still need to apply.

We hope that all of our children will remain with us for their primary school journey but we understand that this is a very important decision to make as a family. If you would like to view the rest of the school before making your application, please come along to one of our open events.

Register for an Open Event

Open Events will include a presentation from the headteacher and members of the leadership team, and a tour of the school to see our wonderful learning environment. Please register below to attend one of our Open Events.

Wednesday 4th Nov - 9.30am - 11:00am

Thursday 26th Nov - 7pm - 8:15pm

Friday 11th Dec - 9.30am - 11:00am

<https://www.dorchesterprimary.com/form/?pid=21&form=16>

Please use this QR code to join the Nursery WhatsApp group which is managed by our Nursery Class Rep
Marta (Ottile's Mum)

